

City Commission Meeting

City Hall, Commission Chambers, 3rd Floor, 1700 Convention Center Drive November 8, 2006

Mayor David Dermer Absent

Vice-Mayor Simon Cruz

Commissioner Matti Herrera Bower

Commissioner Luis R. Garcia, Jr. (For ceremony purposes only - Resigned to run for State Representative)

Commissioner Saul Gross

Commissioner Jerry Libbin Absent

Commissioner Richard L. Steinberg

City Manager Jorge M. Gonzalez City Attorney Jose Smith City Clerk Robert E. Parcher

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ATTENTION ALL LOBBYISTS

Chapter 2, Article VII, Division 3 of the City Code of Miami Beach entitled "Lobbyists" requires the registration of all lobbyists with the City Clerk prior to engaging in any lobbying activity with the City Commission, any City Board or Committee, or any personnel as defined in the subject Code sections. Copies of the City Code sections on lobbyists laws are available in the City Clerk's Office. Questions regarding the provisions of the Ordinance should be directed to the Office of the City Attorney.

Meeting called to order at approximately 11:18:07 a.m.

Vice-Mayor Cruz welcomed everyone to the Special Commission meeting to certify the results of yesterday's election. He greeted former City Commissioner and the new State Representative for Miami Beach, Luis R. Garcia, Jr.

State Representative Luis Garcia thanked the residents of Miami Beach for the way they all came out to vote yesterday. The Miami Beach votes were a great help in wining the election. He stated that he has enjoyed serving on the Commission for the past seven years and going to Tallahassee will just be another step. He added that he will fight for the people of Miami Beach and he asked the City Commission to take good care of his city, and he knows Miami Beach is in good hands.

Vice-Mayor Cruz stated that that he better take good care of our city and bring home the bacon.

Commissioner Bower stated that she will miss Commissioner Garcia and stated that he has been a good commissioner who represented the citizens of Miami Beach well and the citizens will also miss him. She stated that personally she will miss the battles and the reconciliations and she will be visiting him in Tallahassee.

Commissioner Steinberg stated that it is good to congratulate him on his victory and it was a win for the city, a win for the party, and a win for Mr. Garcia. He stated that Mr. Garcia should be commended for his hard work to make this happen; it was not an easy race. He looks forward to seeing him serve paella at the courtyard outside the Capitol in a couple of months, and looks forward

to joining him in a couple of years.

Commissioner Gross congratulated and wished Mr. Garcia luck. He stated that there are some Condo Task Force recommendations that he can take with him. There will be no better advocate for tackling this issue than Mr. Garcia, who worked so hard on the Task Force. He added that he knows Mr. Garcia will fight not only for the condominium owners, but also the insurance and the taxes issues.

Vice-Mayor Cruz congratulated and commended all the candidates that participated in the City of Miami Beach Commission Group V race and stated that it is not an easy task, and the City should always be grateful that good people lend themselves to this process.

<u>Times based on the digital recording in the City Clerk's Office</u>

REGULAR AGENDA

Legislation concerning results from the City of Miami Beach's November 7, 2006 Special Election.

The actual Election Resolutions to be considered for passage by the City of Miami Beach Commission on November 8, 2006 will be publicly available by 11:00 a.m. on that date.

Note: <u>Either R7B (No Run-off Election needed) or R7C (Run-off Election needed) to be adopted.</u>

R7 - Resolutions

R7A A Resolution Adopting The Certificate Of The Results Of The November 7, 2006 Special Election (Re: Ballot Questions) For The City Of Miami Beach, And Declaring Results Thereof.

(City Attorney's Office)

ACTION: Resolution No. 2006-26381 adopted. Motion made by Commissioner Gross; seconded by Commissioner Bower; Voice-vote: 4-0; Absent: Mayor Dermer and Commissioner Libbin; Commissioner Garcia resigned-to-run and was elected as State Representative.

R7B A Resolution Adopting The Certificate Of The Results Of The November 7, 2006 Special Election For The City Of Miami Beach And Declaring Candidate Elected.

(City Attorney's Office)

ACTION: Because of the Run-Off Election no action is required.

R7C City Of Miami Beach Special Election Results To Fill Vacancy And Calling Run-Off Election.

1. A Resolution Adopting The Certificate Of The Results Of The November 7, 2006 Special Election To Fill Vacancy For The City Of Miami Beach.

ACTION: Resolution No. 2006-26382 adopted. Motion made by Commissioner Steinberg; seconded by Commissioner Bower; Voice-vote: 4-0; Absent: Mayor Dermer and Commissioner Libbin; Commissioner Garcia resigned-to-run and was elected as State Representative.

2. A Resolution Calling For A Run-Off Election To Be Held On November 21, 2006 In The City Of Miami Beach For The Purpose Of Electing A City Commissioner In Group V; Providing For Conduct Of Same By The Miami-Dade County Elections Division; Providing That Voting Precincts Shall Be Those As Established By Miami-Dade County; Providing For Notice Of Elections; Providing For The Form Of Ballot; Providing For Absentee Balloting And Registration Of Voters In Accordance With State Law; Providing For Payment For Conducting Election To Miami-Dade County.

(City Attorney's Office)

ACTION: Resolution No. 2006-26383 adopted. Motion made by Commissioner Steinberg; seconded by Commissioner Bower; Voice-vote: 4-0; Absent: Mayor Dermer and Commissioner Libbin; Commissioner Garcia resigned-to-run and was elected as State Representative.

End of Regular Agenda

It was announced that the Run-off City Commission meeting will be held on November 22, 2006 at 11:00 a.m.

Vice-Mayor Cruz announced that he will not be present on November 22, 2006 since he will be out of town.

Meeting adjourned at 11:26:56.m.